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Sir:

This paper responds to the Final Office Action issued on January 10, 2006 for this case. This paper is filed pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.114.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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